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Proposed Rule Revision

Water Works Operator Certification Chapter 246-292 WAC

Operators affected

All certified water works operators and all new applicants for certification.

Purpose of rule change

Chapter 246-292 WAC will be revised to incorporate language to clarify the Department of Health's revocation and suspension authority to better address enforcement actions against certified water works operators.

Public health benefit

Certified operators are responsible for protecting public health and providing safe water through competent operation of their water system.

Key issues of public interest

Chapter 246-292 WAC will be revised to:

- Add a definition for "gross negligence"
- Revise the definition of "relevancy"
- Revise the "revocation and suspension" section

Rule development timeline

State Timelines and Requirements (subject to change):

- Regulation Start-up – June 2004
- Develop Draft Regulations – June through September 2004
- Public Hearing – November 2004
- Rule Adoption – December 2004

A CR-101 was filed on June 11, 2004 as WSR# 04-13-051. You can view this document on the web at:

<http://www.leg.wa.gov/wac/index.cfm?fuseaction=title&title=246>.

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